



Minimum requirement

WHEN YOU GO FROM 12,000 SQUARE FEET OF LIVING SPACE TO 2,250, YOU HAVE TO DO MORE WITH LESS

Sometimes downsizing is hard to figure out. Commercial photographer JoAnn Carney and architect William Drake did it by trial and error. They owned two residences, one a 12,000-square-foot vintage factory turned loft and office in Chicago, and a newly built 4,200-square-foot stucco home and studio outside Sante Fe. Both were too much to handle. "We were totally bogged down maintaining the two places," admits Carney.

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When two apartments were combined, a short hallway between the units was reclaimed and turned into a formal foyer. It holds a treasured family portrait and leads into the new main living area. Opposite: An original Eero Saarinen Womb Chair and side table graces a corner of the living area.

